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**Sweeney
Ridge Trail**
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Sweeping views of the surrounding hills and the Pacific Ocean in the near distance bring hordes of visitors to the trail. Two destinations also attract hikers and cyclists: the Portolá Discovery Site marks the approximate location where a Spanish explorer discovered the San Francisco Bay in 1769, while the remnants of a Cold War era Nike missile site commemorate a very different time in history. The Sweeney Ridge Trail is paved between the two landmarks, while a natural surface welcomes the same



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States: California

Counties: San Mateo

Length: 2.17 miles

Trail end points: Notch Trail and Mori Ridge

Trail to locked gate at Portola Rd.

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Dirt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback

Riding, Walking

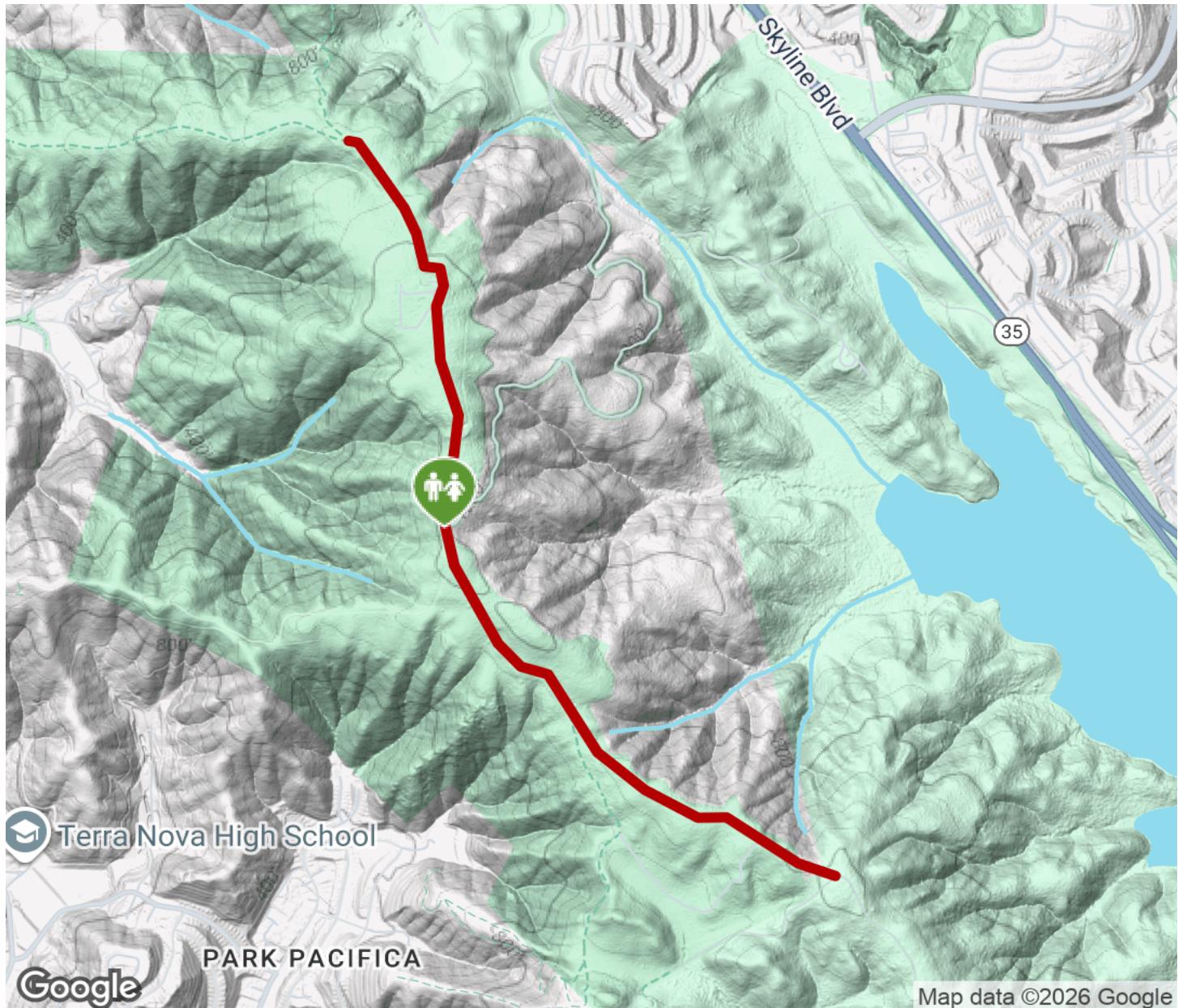
Parking & Trail Access

The Sweeney Ridge Trail can only be reached on foot, horse or bicycle. Park at one of the trailheads for the Sneath Lane Trail, Baquiano Trail or Mori Ridge Trail to access the scenic path by car. (Refer to the individual TrailLink pages for exact parking locations.)



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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